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In Mexico and in the Southwest, says a New York botanist, mistletoe grows so rank that it is regarded as a pest. There may be too much of a good thing; but when the wax-berried bow dangles over the head of a pretty girl on Christmas day, who would consider it a nuisance?

MORE than one-half of the delegates to the Ohio Constitutional Convention (61 out of a total of 115) are pledged in writing to incorporate the initiative and referendum into the fundamental law of the State. The political innovations characteristic of the Far West are running counter to the proverbial course of empire and are coming East. We may soon have opportunities of observing direct legislation in operation at first hand and in one of the largest States in population.

SPECULATIVE banking is a business of great charm. It has attracted the attention of many brainy and successful gamblers. The conviction of two of the men responsible for the failure of the Carnegie Trust Company in New York of larcenous disposal of its funds will undoubtedly serve as a check to this form of enterprise. The great magnates of the money market, who were lately projecting a vast plan of chain banking, evidently have thought a back-down the prudent policy in the present temper of Courts and juries dealing with monster aggregations of capital and business under a single control. The jails preach a loud preach sometimes.

THERE was little wisdom shown in the vote of the National Good Roads Congress in favor of Federal appropriations for road building. If there is any form of public enterprise that could be considered of purely local concern it is the construction and maintenance of public highways. Road construction in this country has always been the affair of towns and counties; only quite recently has the policy of State aid found favor. While there may be cogent arguments for the co-operation of the State with the counties in this matter, the opening and maintenance of highways is absolutely foreign to the Federal jurisdiction. Congress might as well be asked to appropriate money for opening, grading and paving the streets in our cities.

## Good Roads Movement.

Government statistics tell us that it costs our farmers 15 cents more to haul one ton one mile in this country than it costs in European countries. With the products of the farms of the United States amounting to approximately 250,000,000 tons annually, and with an average haul of nine miles per ton, the difference of 15 cents represents an additional cost of \$1.35 a ton for the average nine mile haul.

Estimating that two-thirds of the agricultural products of the United States are hauled away from the farms, there would have been a saving to the American farmers, on the basis of the figures, of \$225,000,000 if our roads would have been up to the standard of European roads, not including their back haul of supplies from the stations to the farms. They would have saved, in addition, large sums in the replacing and repairing of harness, wagons, etc., and in the investment and care of extra draft stock, not to mention the item of time involved in hauling half loads.

Good roads, in addition to their economical side, would add so greatly to the comfort, health, and happiness of their users that every possible agency should be employed to

make them realities. Unfortunately the subject has been much neglected, considering that congress has appropriated 5,600 times as much money for military expenses as for the betterment of public highways. If it could be shown to our national lawmakers that military roads are needed for the movement of troops and military convenience, appropriations of millions would be had without delay.

In building that naval highway for fighting vessels in a foreign country, the Panama canal, the government is spending more money than has ever been spent on any similar project in the history of the world. For harbor and river improvements congress a couple of years ago appropriated \$52,000,000, a transaction in which politicians reaped greater benefits than was made apparent in the undertakings for which the money was voted. There has been expended upon the Mississippi river, including surveys, in the last 100 years \$225,000,000 to put that stream in condition for handling products of the farm and commerce tributary to it, yet the last statistics available show that in 1906 there were 1,549,000 tons less transported on this river than in 1889.

It took three quarters of a century to build up the American railroads. During the same time little attention has been given to the building up of American country roads. Yet the value of the two to the public goes hand in hand. Food and clothing must be handled between the producers and the consumers over both the country road and the railroad. It is important that the country roads approach the high standard of the railroads.

The country road makers have not kept up with the railroad makers; if they had it would not cost the farmer to haul a ton of grain one mile as much as it costs them to send it by railroad fifty miles. They, too, must get money to cut down grades, to get smooth, hard surfaces, to get good drainage, and to reduce the cost of maintenance. When this is done the farmer can go from his farm to his market or shipping station quicker and carry a bigger load. The firm roadbed and smooth, heavy steel make the railroad's cars and engines last longer, and the substantial, well made country road makes the farmer's horse, wagons and harness last longer. The saving to the railroads is only a small fraction of a cent on each ton hauled one mile, while the saving to the farmer is 15 cents a ton a mile. The difference in cost of hauling will often turn a losing farm into a paying one.

With a good road a farmer who lives fifteen miles from a shipping station is better off than one who lives only five miles away with a poor road. The man with a good road, with the distance against him, can make his trips quicker and carry from two to three times as much on his wagon, and, what is more important, can depend upon his road and bridges every day in the year, while the man who encounters swollen streams and impassable roads often loses his best market and his vegetables decay on his hands.

We have 2,100,000 miles of public roads. From the best information obtainable there are about 44,000 miles, or two miles out of each hundred, under a high standard of improvement. There are not more than 175,000 miles, or eight miles out of each hundred, under any kind of improvement. In other words, we have 1,925,000 miles of public roads which are in as poor condition now as they were when they were laid out by our early settlers and pioneers.

It is the duty of every citizen of the United States to aid the farmer in every way consistent with business principles to market his products to best advantage.

If we build 100,000 miles of public highway annually for ten years, giving the country 1,000,000 miles of good public roads, at an average cost of \$3,000 per mile, or \$300,000,000 annually, we will be engaging in a national development the advantages of which in economies, commerce, comfort, and enhanced land values none can foretell. This work if carried on by counties and townships, as at present, will be slow. It should be encouraged under a broad, comprehensive plan outlined by the federal government, co-operating with the states.

Money in the comb at Howard's. Very fine.

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L. Isaacson invites the people of Muhlenberg county to come to his store at Central City and supply their wants in clothing, shoes, dry goods, notions, etc., at the lowest prices ever known in this section.

Give Miss Lena Arnold your pressing; ring 5-2 and call will be made.

## Burr Grist Mill.

My new burr mill is in operation; call on your merchants for White Flint meal. Also ready to furnish the public with chicken feed and chopped corn.

ji 28 J. A. SHAVER.

Don't buy all your Christmas gifts until you have seen what a fine lot of pretty things the Woman's Auxiliary will have at their bazaar Friday, Dec. 15th. Articles will be on sale promptly at 2 o'clock on the above mentioned date, and nothing will be sold before that hour.

Give us your job work.

If you want that dead watch or clock put to work, let Mc have it and he will put it to running.

## INTERESTING EVENTS IN CHICAGO

NINETEENTH NATIONAL IRRIGATION CONGRESS  
DECEMBER 5 TO 9

The object and purpose of this Congress can best be expressed in its motto, "Save the forests, store the floods, reclaim the deserts, make homes on the land," to which might be added "drain the swamp and make homes on the land."

There are in the United States 75,000,000 acres of swamp land, non productive, a menace to health, and a deterrent to immigration. 75,000,000 acres divided into 40-acre farms means homes for 1,875,000 families, or approximately 10,000,000 of our citizenship. This land when reclaimed will be as healthful as land that has always been dry, and will be the most productive of all lands, because it is composed of the rich soil brought down by the rivers, despoiled and mixed with the decayed vegetation of centuries.

On account of the diversified ownership and state complications it would seem that the United States Government is logically the authority to redeem these lands along the lines pursued in the reclamation of the arid lands of the West.

The results of irrigation of the arid lands of the Far West, and the possibilities of the drainage of the swamp lands of the Great South, and elsewhere, will be given the particular attention in an elaborate program that has been planned for this congress. Delegates from all parts of the country, as well as foreign representatives, have been invited, and a goodly attendance is expected.

## LAND SHOW, NOV. 18 TO DEC. 9

An ocular demonstration of the agricultural and horticultural development of lands throughout the United States. An attendance of over 400,000 is predicted this year. Be sure and visit the Illinois Central Exhibit of products grown in the two great southern states of Louisiana and Mississippi.

## LIVE STOCK EXPOSITION

DECEMBER 2 TO 9

This well-known and country-famous show will be held in the International Amphitheatre and twenty adjoining buildings at the Union Stock Yards, Chicago, and a display of many thousands of the finest breeding cattle, horses, sheep and swine makes it a grand contest of champions. Slaughter Tests, Packing House Exhibit, Collegiate and Farmers' Stock Judging Contests, National Breeders' and Stockmen's Meetings, Public Daily Sales, Brilliant Evening Entertainments.

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- 10 Qt. Gray Enameled Dish Pan 8 c.
- Small Covered Bucket 8 "
- Tipped Preserving Kettle 8 "
- Sauce Pan, with handle 8 "
- 2 Qt. Pudding Pan 8 "
- Dipper, length 12 3-4 inches 8 "
- 11 Inch Wash Basin 8 "

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## First Of All Let Us Thank You For Your Generous Thanksgiving Orders.

This year we made extra heavy and special preparations for our Thanksgiving trade and judging by the heavy business we did and the complimentary remarks about goods and service, our efforts were fully appreciated.

Already we are making elaborate preparations for the big holiday season. New goods are arriving every day and we will be in the best shape we have ever been to take care of you for your Christmas requirements.

In the meantime here are a few suggestions of supplies you will need at once.

Mince Meat made a hit this week in hundreds of homes and will be in use every day all winter.

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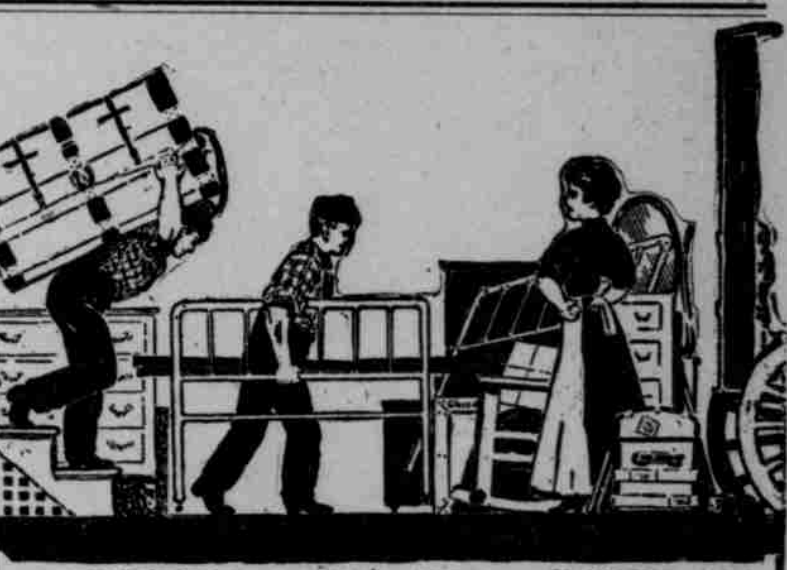
Outside cleanliness is less than half the battle. A man may scrub himself a dozen times a day, and still be unclean. Good health means cleanliness not only outside, but inside. It means a clean stomach, clean bowels, clean blood, a clean liver, and new, clean, healthy tissues. The man who is clean in this way will look it and act it. He will work with energy and think clean, clear, healthy thoughts.

He will never be troubled with liver, lung, stomach or blood disorders. Dyspepsia and indigestion originate in unclean stomachs. Blood diseases are found where there is unclean blood. Consumption and bronchitis mean unclean lungs.

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prevents these diseases. It makes a man's insides clean and healthy. It cleans the digestive organs, makes pure, clean blood, and clean, healthy flesh.

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